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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Service – Agricultural Marketing Department – Departmental Proceedings against Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Article of Charge – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.130 **Dated:08.02.2024**

Read:-

E-file No.ACG05-16021/53/2023-DISCPLR SEC-MRKT (Computer No.2151504) dated:18.10.2023 & 17.01.2024 received from the C&DoAM, A.P., Guntur.

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O R D E R :-

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charge (Annexure – I & II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge is proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure –III & IV).

3. Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam is directed to submit his written statement defence within 10 days on receipt of this order.

4. Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam is further informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge that are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

6. The attention of Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964,

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under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to hear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PARDESH)

CHIRANJIV CHOUDHARY, IFS,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M. Kaleswara Rao,
The then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam &
Presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam.
(Through : The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing,
A.P., Guntur)
Copy to:-
The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
SF/SC.

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI M. KALESWARA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, SRIKAKULAM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING WORKING ON OD AS SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, HIRAMANDALAM

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ARTICLE OF CHARGE:

"That Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam & presently Assistant Director of Marketing working on OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam has failed to inspect / supervise the Agricultural Market Committees in his jurisdiction as a District Officer and also failed to detect the huge misappropriation of funds at AMC, Itchapuram and Etcherla during his working period. Due to his supervision lapses, huge loss to the funds of Agricultural Market Committees, Itchapuram and Etcherla.

Thus, he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened Rule 3 of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964".

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI M. KALESWARA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, SRIKAKULAM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING WORKING ON OD AS SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, HIRAMANDALAM ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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Imputation to Charge:-

Sri M. Kaleswara Rao, the then Assistant Director of Marketing, Srikakulam presently working as ADM OD as Special Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Hiramandalam has failed to inspect / supervise the Agricultural Market Committees in his jurisdiction as a District Officer and also failed to detect the huge misappropriation of funds at Agricultural Market Committee, Itchapuram and Etcherla from the year 2018-19 onwards. He has failed to visit the Agricultural Market Committees in his jurisdiction even though circular instructions have been issued by the High Authorities. Due to his supervision lapses, huge loss to the funds of Agricultural Market Committees, Itchapuram and Etcherla.

By the above acts, failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened Rule 3 of A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and by his actions the Charged Officer rendered himself liable for disciplinary action. Hence, the Charge.

CHIRANJIV CHOUDHARY, IFS,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS ON THE BASIS OF WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI M. KALESWARA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, SRIKAKULAM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING WORKING ON OD AS SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, HIRAMANDALAM

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LetterRoc.No.102/A/2023, dated:11.10.2023 of Regional Joint Director of Marketing, Visakhapatnam.

ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESS BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI M. KALESWARA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, SRIKAKULAM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING WORKING ON OD AS SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, HIRAMANDALAM ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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The Regional Joint Director of Marketing, Visakhapatnam.

CHIRANJIV CHOUDHARY, IFS,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT